

Democratic Committee Meeting.

A meeting of the Democratic Central Committee of Iron County is hereby called to meet at the office of Edgar & Edgar, in Ironton, Missouri,

Saturday, June 15, 1912, at 2 o'clock P. M. Every member of the Committee is urged to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

WM. R. EDGAR,
ARTHUR HUFF,
Secretary.

This is about the situation at the hour of going to press: Roosevelt is disgraceful, Taft is contemptible, La Follette is absurd and the "houn' dawg" seems to have the 'possum freed.—St. Louis Mirror.

It seems to be unfortunate for Mr. Cowherd that he was so late in making his intentions known to enter the gubernatorial race. The sentiment had begun to center around other candidates before he made his wishes known. The Democratic party had a strong candidate in Mr. Cowherd four years ago, but he was defeated as the result of bickering in his own party, and not really on account of his unpopularity. We understand that Attorney General Major would not have announced for the governorship if Mr. Cowherd had made his wishes known a year ago.—Dexter Messenger.

If the money being spent on the Panama Canal; if the treasure wasted in the creation of ten-million-dollar battle ships; if the expenditures made in the Philippines against the traditions and in violation of the principles which should govern a free republic—if all these sums were devoted to the building and betterment of the highways of this country, the "good roads" slogan would be uncalled for and superfluous. "Improve the public roads with money that is now being wasted!" This is the battle cry of the Democrats in Congress, and it is being taken up by the farmers in all parts of the country.

HON. W. R. PAINTER of Carrollton has filed for the office of lieutenant governor of Missouri with the secretary of state. There is no doubt in our mind but that Will Painter was elected to this office four years ago, but rather than embarrass his party with a contest which would prevent legislative work until settled, he let his opponent have an office to which he was not entitled. We think Mr. Painter is entitled to the nomination for this reason alone, and for the reason that he has superior qualifications for the office; he is editor of a Democratic newspaper, is a progressive Democrat, and we hope he will be nominated and elected in November by such a majority that there can be no possibility of a contest again.

SENATOR HEYBURN, of Idaho, has made three separate attempts this winter to have the Canadian Reciprocity act repealed. Inasmuch as this act was not accepted by Canada, there is no earthly use repealing it. But Heyburn has a reason. Along with the Reciprocity act Congress passed an act to remove the duty on Canadian wood pulp. This became effective with the passage of the Reciprocity act, and did not require the concurrence of Canada. To repeal the whole act would also repeal this provision, hence the paper trust is extremely anxious to have the Reciprocity act repealed. Newspapers have, from time to time, fully demonstrated Heyburn's uselessness. Hence he is anxious to "get even." At least that is the charitable explanation of his activity.

THAT the reactionaries in the Senate are still deaf to the voice of the people is evidenced by the fact that the Lorimer committee, the majority of whom are last ditch standpatters and Tories, has once more white-washed the Chicago boss. If the people of the United States could go to the polls and vote on the question of keeping Lorimer in the Senate the only ones who would vote for Lorimer are his personal jobholders and henchmen, and the tariff trust barons who need him in their business. More than 99 per cent of the country's ninety-two millions would be against his retention. Yet the Senate reactionaries are deaf to the protests against him; blind to the proven shame of

his election, and dumb when pressed to say the word that would send him back to the oblivion where he belongs.

SAYS Bro. McGuire of the Jackson Cash-Book:

The editor of the St. Louis Republic who has been writing such strong editorials in that paper, telling why Champ Clark should be nominated for president, has quit the Republic and gone to take the position as editor of the New York World where he will write just as strong editorials trying to show why some other candidate should be nominated. Thus it is the syndicated plutocratic press "moulds public opinion." The editors of that class of papers are mere intellectual machines, grinding out "influence" by the measure for the purpose, and in the interest of, the men behind the scene who own and control the papers.

I endorse every word of this. If the heart be not behind the pen, its product is as sounding brass and tinkling symbol. It is a commercial product, to be rated not by the honesty of conviction but as a commodity purchasable, even as the fatted steer and the blooded roadster. When I read an editorial I like to think that the writer is baring his heart to me—not putting words together in sentences which belie his own convictions, and selling his English at so much per to the first customer that offers a price. It is this commercialism of the daily press which has, to a great extent, destroyed its usefulness as teacher and leader. 'Tis pity that the Hydes, the Greeleys and the Danas are of the past.

WANTED

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Des Arc Items.

I attended the Drummers' Association at Farmington nine years ago and again last week. I could not help from noticing how much better this one was than that nine years ago. The town was beautifully decorated and the attendance much larger. On the second day there must have been 10,000 people present. The drummers are a lively bunch. They had a quartet in the lobby of the hotel that completely captivated me. Most of the songs were southern melodies and that just suited me. They wound up with the famous "Houn' Dawg Song," which was simply fine. The Salvation Army was also there and drew a crowd. The automobile parade from Flat River and Bonne Terre was the finest thing I ever saw. The races by the boys and girls at Carlton College grounds were quite amusing. The Fat Men's Race was the best of all. Geo. W. Morris of Farmington won the prize, 200 lb. barrel of flour. I notice that there were no drunken men in the party. Nine years ago half of the boys were full, but they have cut that out and thank God for it. I also notice that the automobiles have cut down the business of the electric road greatly. Half the people now go to DeLassus in automobiles. Several candidates were on hand looking after their interests.

Our public school closed Friday. This has been a successful year and we are proud of the work our school has been doing. The entertainment by the older pupils Friday afternoon was fine. The program consisted of dialogues, declamations and recitations, and the house was crowded. The primary room had exercises Thursday afternoon and the little ones recited well. They also had some drawings and other work which were fine and the patrons were well pleased. Prof. McKee will be employed again for next year. Miss Keathley will quit teaching and enter a business college. The primary teacher has not yet been employed for next year, but there are a number of applicants.

A large crowd attended the memorial services here Sunday. Owing to the rain the sermon in the morning was preached at the Baptist church by Rev. Abernathy. He delivered a good sermon for the occasion. In the afternoon at the cemetery Rev. Strother conducted the services and preached a fine sermon to a large crowd. We sang the good old-fashioned songs and it did me good to see all our dear friends meet together again, with the dear old hand-shake, and may we live better each day so we may meet again our friends whom we have laid on yonder hill. Many friends brought flowers and decorated loved ones' graves. Our cemetery looked like a flower garden and it does me good to see the interest all have taken in cleaning up their graves and keeping up our cemetery. We can boast the best kept cemetery in Iron county.

Mrs. John Parrish and little grandson, Raymond McKennie, attended the memorial services Sunday.

Mrs. John Polk and children attended memorial services here and made a visit with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Hughes.

Mrs. J. L. Strader is visiting her son and family at Hogan.

Walter Hickman, who is working on the Belmont branch, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Ed Hicks has gone to Willow Springs to join her husband.

Judge Schmidt was in St. Louis last week.

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		15c " " " " 10c

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